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Most bridge sites cater to more advanced players so this document is to provide online resources for newer bridge players. At EBC, this includes Level 2 Students (almost graduates), Shuffle&Players, and 0-20 players.

Many of you can use lots of review, so use all this free time to go back over material such as

- **EBC Web Page** (for non-EBCers, site is [etobicokebridge.com](http://etobicokebridge.com); Learning Material)
  - Most material is specifically for novices, hard to find as much novice material elsewhere (while singing “there is no place like home”)
  - Re-read the Absolute Beginner and Level 2 booklets
  - Do all the quizzes for the above booklets. Don’t worry, you won’t remember these from the first time, trust me ☺
  - Do “Basic Bidding Practice” quizzes (lower down)
  - For those who have learned transfers over 1NT, do the “Bidding over NT Openings” quizzes. I plan to teach Level2 students transfers when we return or possibly online sooner
  - Under “Other Full course booklets”/”Defense Booklet, do the Opening Leads Quiz
- **Bridge Base Online** is the best site for playing bridge. While it has lots of features, it also has a very elegant and clean interface, which makes it quite easy to use. I would suggest you get a start using this site
  - You can start without even getting an account, details are in my EBC BBO user guide that is on the EBC web page. Consider the first page and a half and try stuff out.
  - I may be doing a few virtual lessons soon, and if so, would be using this site, so you would be wise to get used to it.
- **Saycbridge.com**
  - Simple but effective Standard American (Yellow Card) bidding practice.
  - Make bids, immediate feedback, bidding suggestions with reasons
  - After trying the auction, to see correct auction, click the suggested contract to the right of “Autobidder”
  - Also try [saycbridge.com/scoring](http://saycbridge.com/scoring) to practice scoring
- **bakerbridge.coffeecup.com**
  - Lots of lessons with hands & quizzes on all aspects; interactive hand play
  - Do the following sections
    - Basic Bidding – all 5 topics
    - Bidding Conventions -- Preemptive Bids, Stayman, Weak2 Bids
    - Competitive Bidding – Overcalls, Takeout Doubles
    - Declarer Play – Planning the Play, Finessing
    - Defense – Opening Leads, 3<sup>rd</sup> hand, 2<sup>nd</sup> hand, Signals
- **BestEBridge.com**; Your Online Bridge Teacher
  - Very good Learning site; excellent interface, v. good explanations

- Fair bit of free access but consider joining; free trial and then \$11US per month if you join for a year
- Can play some hands for free in play, bidding, defense, and categorized by difficulty
  - Red stop light shows exactly when you go wrong (offense or defense)
  - Program will play hand for you (correctly, of course)
  - Good written explanation after hand
- Live, very slick, well-presented lessons but too detailed & different approaches, so not appropriate for newer players.
  - Can do 1<sup>st</sup> (intro) lesson in each section for free, join for the rest
  - Can start each “Bidding Training” lesson, but only get first few screens for free